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- 2. Relevance of the references are discussed in the present specification.
- 3. References 1, 5, 6, 8 and 9 were cited in a counterpart foreign application. An English language version of the foreign search report is attached for the Examiner's information.
- 4. English-language Abstracts of the non-English language references are attached hereto.
- 5. Computer-generated English translations of the following Japanese Patent Publication have been obtained from the website of the Japanese Patent Office ([<http://www.jpo.go.jp>]), and are attached, but have not been reviewed for accuracy. See References 11-12.
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